

a mounting member, between the apparatus and the trunk of a tree to be shaken, said pad comprising:

a pair of opposing end sections, each defining a bore extending longitudinally therethrough, and adapted to receive the mounting member coupled to the tree shaking apparatus, and

a resilient polymeric web extending between and coupled to said end sections, said web defining a first surface which conforms to a shape and size of the trunk of the tree to be shaken.

7. (Twice Amended) A pad coupled to a tree shaking apparatus having a mounting member, between the apparatus and the trunk of a tree to be shaken, said pad comprising:

a pair of opposing end sections, each defining a bore extending longitudinally therethrough, and adapted to receive the mounting member coupled to the tree shaking apparatus;

a resilient polymeric web extending between and coupled to said end sections, said web defining a first surface which conforms to a shape and size of the trunk of the tree to be shaken; and wherein

said pad defines a pair of apertures approximately parallel to said bores and extending at least part way through said pad, each of said apertures being positioned adjacent to one of said bores.

#### REMARKS

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